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REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application as amended.

Claims 41-48 are added.

In response to the Office Action mailed July 13, 2005, Applicant respectfully indicates an election of the following group of claims to be examined for the referenced application:

Group II as claimed in Claims 9-40.

In the event that no generic claim is finally held to be allowable, Applicant respectfully indicates an election of the species B, of claims 17-25 and 39-40 for prosecution on the merits in the referenced application. Newly added claims 41-48 are also directed to species B.

Applicant believes that Claims 9-40 are presently in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited. Applicant also respectfully solicits the Examiner to grant allowance of the added Claims 41-48.

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CONCLUSION

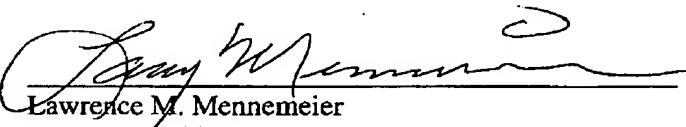
Applicants respectfully submit the present claims for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call John Ward at (408) 720-8300, x237.

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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